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EAT



PATIO SET

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NEW AND IMPROVED

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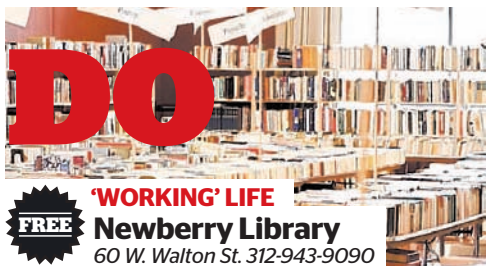
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CUT. IT. OUT.

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Whether you grew up loving or hating "Full House," you'll see a darker side of the classic TV sitcom in "Attend the Tale of Danny Tanner: A 'Full House' Musical," a dark musical comedy in which a plot to avenge mom Pamela Tanner's death goes awry. 7:30 p.m. $15.

REDEYE TIP OF THE DAY Plan ahead for Chicago Park District's **Movies in the Parks** series: **chicagoparkdistrict.com/events/movies/**.

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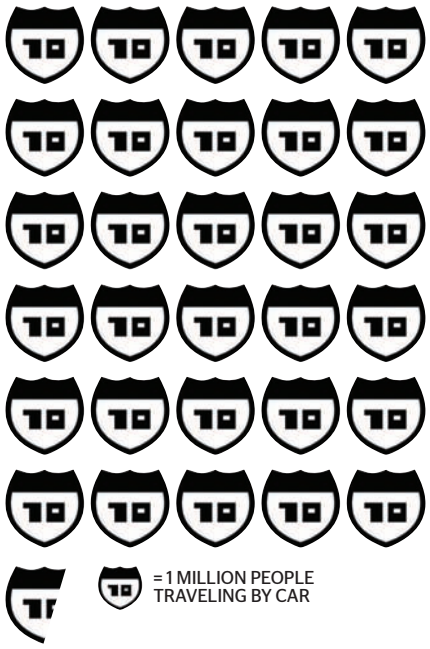
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GAS GUZZLERS

MORE DRIVERS TO TRAVEL FOR MEMORIAL DAY

NEW YORK More Americans will take to the roads over the Memorial Day weekend this year as they benefit from a recent drop in pump prices, travel group AAA forecast Tuesday, heralding a summer of strong gasoline demand. Here's a look at the numbers. **REUTERS**

30.7 million

About 30.7 million people will drive to destinations 50 miles or more away from home between May 24 and 28, the start of the peak driving season.

30.3 million

Last year, only 30.3 million people drove to their destinations during the holiday weekend, which serves as an early gauge of summer gasoline sales at pumping stations.

2.5 million

The travel group expects 2.5 million people will board flights over the holiday weekend

a **5.5**% drop

from the number of air travelers last year.



The $5 gallon?
The forecast indicates motorists may be in a better position to weather higher prices. Fears that gasoline would hit a record $5 a gallon, fueled by the rising cost of oil early in 2012, have abated, but prices are higher than in 2008, when Memorial Day travel fell more than 10 percent due to soaring costs.



34.8 million

The total number of vacationers over Memorial Day will rise to 34.8 million, equal to the number of travelers in 2010, when the numbers soared by 14 percent.



more than

50%

The forecast, based on a survey of 50,000 U.S. households, found that more than half of its respondents did not change their travel plans because of high gasoline prices

$**3.73**

U.S. gasoline prices averaged $3.73 a gallon on Tuesday, compared to $3.96 a year ago.

$**3.79**

The government has projected that U.S. summer gasoline prices will average $3.79 a gallon, 8 cents more than last year but significantly lower than the $4 danger zone beyond which, analysts say, demand will drop significantly.



Behold a message—from the future



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"CRASH!"
"BOOM!"
"THUNK!"

Those sounds are more of the buildings in Chicago's majestic skyline being turned into kindling.

Friends, I write this dispatch from the future. It's June 1, 2012, about two weeks after the NATO summit. Everything has changed, and not for the better.

We were wrong about that NATO stuff, though. The super-excessive precautionary measures we took? They were a bigger flop than "Waterworld," Y2K and Chicago's 2016 Olympic hopes combined.

Nothing happened. Seriously. There were unnecessarily-live-tweeted protests and aggressive, Photoshopped posters, but other than a cop having to slap some handcuffs on a kid who "just wanted to burn it all down, man," absolutely John F. Nothing took place.

That was the problem. See, we built up so much fear and passion that something had to release the tension.

That something ... was a Chicago insult on the May 17 episode of "30 Rock."

It all started when secondary character Dot Com said, and I quote, "Fatties who like being cold and eating tamales? What is this, Chicago?" sparked a firestorm of passive-aggressive Internet commentary, the likes of which have never been seen.

Angry op-eds and tweets devolved into street demonstrations. People were PISSED, yo.

Then Mayor Emanuel got into the act on May 19, tossing a casual aside: "Jeez, what the f@*# is up with these @%#$? Act like they've never had a @#$&% tamale."

It led to pure anarchy.

The Wiener's Circle? Burnt to the ground. Logan Square dance club/sex dungeon Bonnie's? Decimated. (Strangely enough, they left the Goat.)

The tide finally turned May 21, when the National Guard was called in to disperse the crowd. People were content to leave well enough alone and we all thought the hubbub would subside.

But then, just when things settled down, it was announced that a controversial ending to Sunday's Cubs/Sox Crosstown Classic series finale (all I'll say is, it made that Pistons/Pacers brawl look like the end of "Grease") would lead to a postseason ban for both teams for the next 20 years.

People frigging lost it, things started blowing up, and now here we are.

Honestly, by now, we don't really know why we were protesting. There was talk of banks and governments being crappy, but then we got distracted.

I leave you with this: Know why people are getting mad about this stuff. For the love of God, do some research. Be kind to each other.

(Also, you may be wondering how I managed to not only master time travel, but figured out how to place a column into a pre-printed paper. The answer to that is ... uh ... Michael Bay. Yep, that's it.)

ERNEST WILKINS IS CHICAGO'S WINGMAN.

HEY, WHERE'S MY REDEYE BOX?
No, you're not crazy. We've moved around some boxes this week as part of preparation for the NATO summit kicking off Sunday. They'll be back next week.

CELEBS WHO DON'T 'LIKE'

Louis CK was the latest celebrity to host an "Ask Me Anything" thread on Reddit this week, and he managed to be, well, himself. When a fan asked if he ever checks out Reddit now, he wrote, "It seems like a great thing. I just can't do it. I killed my Facebook page years ago because time clicking around is just dead time. All this unmitigated input is hurting folks."

He's definitely not the first celebrity to wax poetic on the downsides of social media. Here are a few other famous folks who haven't been afraid to share their distaste for Twitter and the like.

Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson



Yes, they always come as a two-fer. The pair have both complained about Twitter [dramatic pause] ruining their life, on several occasions:

Stewart: "Twitter [bleeps] me over every day of my life. Because people go, 'I'm sitting next to Kristen Stewart right now' and then [the paparazzi] show up. It's like 'Get off your [bleeping] phone and get a life!' Buy a camera and you're paparazzi; get a Twitter account and you're an informant. It's so annoying."

Pattinson: "In L.A., I have at least 40 seconds from the moment I arrive somewhere before I get asked for my autograph. It's Twitter's fault. If this website didn't exist, I'd be in peace," he told Premiere magazine in 2011. GETTY IMAGES

Drake

Haters gon' hate. Although he has an official Twitter account, Drake tweets maybe once a day, hates it and also thinks Tumblr is "cliquey."

"The thing that scares me the most is Tumblr. Instead of kids going out and making their own moments, they're just taking these images and living vicariously through other people's moments," he said.

Zac Efron

No wonder he wasn't all about mobile and social technology. (Remember when his girlfriend had nude photos leak, like, every other week?)

"I don't have a Twitter, a MySpace or a Facebook or anything like that. I kind of value in people not knowing where I am or what I'm doing," he said.

Drew Barrymore

In 2010, Barrymore attributed her refusal to join Twitter to the downfalls of using it in your dating life.

"I just don't like this compulsive, instantaneous, over-information, lack-of-privacy, weirdo aspect of the world. If you meet someone, they already know everything," she said.

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A view looking west from State Street on Tuesday shows all lanes open to traffic on Congress Parkway. CHRIS WALKER/TRIBUNE

Back in business

Chicago Tribune

All lanes of traffic were open Tuesday on Congress Parkway, marking the near completion of an $18 million streetscape beautification project that has created a pretty ugly traffic mess downtown since 2010.

The state-funded work, between Wells Street and Michigan Avenue, is aimed at improving traffic flow for the 63,000 drivers on Congress each day, even though the project reduced the number of lanes in both directions to offer safer conditions for pedestrians and bicyclists, according to the Chicago Department of Transportation.

Enhancements include wider sidewalks, better bike lanes that require less weaving and bicycle parking.

Construction began in October 2010. To the ire of many drivers, the project has coincided with the ongoing rehabilitation by the state of the Congress Parkway bridge over the Chicago River and the city's overhaul of Wacker Drive between Randolph Street and Congress.

It has at times created gridlock for drivers traveling between the Eisenhower, Kennedy and Dan Ryan expressways and downtown. Transportation officials defended their decision to conduct the projects simultaneously, conceding it has been strong medicine but preferable to dragging out the construction over a longer period.

However, setbacks with the Congress Parkway bridge project have created more pain for drivers than originally planned.

The Congress streetscape project is expected to conclude by June 30, or about a month later than the original schedule, CDOT spokesman Pete Scales said.

Temporary off-peak lane closures will occur on Congress later this month to complete median planters and trellises and finish installing crosswalk pavers on the streets intersecting Congress between the bridge and Michigan Avenue, Scales said.

Work also continues to reconfigure the Wacker/Congress interchange, which is scheduled to open at the end of the year, officials said. The eastbound Congress exit ramp at Franklin Street will be below ground.

The Lower Wacker Drive entrance ramp onto westbound Congress also will be underground, officials said.

The $300 million reconstruction of Upper and Lower Wacker also is targeted for completion by the end of the year, under CDOT's plans. Highlights of the project include replacing the deteriorated viaduct structure built in the 1950s and eliminating ramps to Lower Wacker at Jackson, Adams and Washington, while converting the Monroe ramp to one-way to Lower Wacker.

3 FOR ALL

MARILYN IN EXILE

A week after being dismantled from her subway grate on Michigan Avenue, "Forever Marilyn" has arrived by truck to her new home in Palm Springs, Calif. Here's a quick primer.

26 FEET
Height of the statue

THROUGH JUNE 2013
Duration of its Palm Springs residency

NO. 1
Where it landed on **virtualtourist.com**'s list of bad public art.



EXPRESS LINES

» Arson investigators have determined that someone intentionally set a fire in a vacant Burnside home that preceded an explosion there overnight, police said.

» Patti Blagojevich and her two daughters visited former Gov. Rod Blagojevich in a Colorado prison over the weekend, The Associated Press reports. Blagojevich was convicted this year on federal corruption charges.

» An 8-year-old boy was hospitalized Tuesday after he fell more than 20 feet at Midway from a ticketing area to a baggage claim area below around 1 p.m., officials said. TRIBUNE

DePaul sweep nets cache of 200 stolen CTA signs

By Tracy Swartz | REDEYE

The map quest is over. The CTA is reinstating a cache of maps recovered from DePaul students who allegedly stole the signs from CTA trains, the agency said Tuesday.

Nearly 200 stolen signs were discovered during a DePaul sweep this month of university housing units, CTA spokesman Brian Steele said. Some of the signs were maps of the entire system while others were just of the Red Line. Forty-five signs will be reused, Steele said.

The sweep was conducted after the DePaul student newspaper, the DePaulia, published an article in April that quoted students who said they stole maps for sport.

"Some of [the maps] are being put back into use. Some of them were outdated," Steele said. Systemwide maps were recently updated to reflect the new Oakton stop in Skokie, which opened last month, and the Morgan stop on the Green and Pink lines that is scheduled to open soon.

A DePaul spokeswoman would not discuss if the students would be disciplined.

"Individuals had property that did not belong to them, and it was the right thing to do to secure and return this property to the CTA," DePaul spokeswoman Robin Florzak said in a statement to RedEye. "DePaul expects its students to abide local laws and



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DePaul student conduct policies, and the university will follow its policies regarding student discipline."

CTA maps retail for $36 on **ctagifts.com**.

Said Steele: "While we appreciate the esteem in which these students hold the CTA, we cannot condone the theft of items that are intended for use by all our customers."

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4 arrested at rally for immigration

Chicago Tribune

At least four people were arrested during a rally west of the Loop on Tuesday to protest the country's policies on illegal immigration.

After marching from 3442 W. 26th St., about 30 demonstrators joined about 70 others at an office tower at 525 W. Van Buren St. that houses immigration court and other federal offices. After about an hour, a police supervisor using a bullhorn announced that building management had requested the protesters be forced off the property.

Police ordered the protesters onto the sidewalk. The Rev. Jose Landaverde, who helped organize the protest, and a woman were arrested after they refused to move from where they had been sitting outside the main entrance.

Dozens of demonstrators started walking toward downtown, some of them in the street, followed by police officers on bicycles. At least two protesters were arrested at Jackson Boulevard and Wacker Drive.

The protest, organized by Occupy Chicago and Our Lady of Guadalupe Anglican Mission, is one of several smaller demonstrations scheduled to be held throughout the city this week in the build-up to this weekend's NATO summit.

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A The Soyuz TMA-04M rocket launches Tuesday carrying Soyuz Commander Gennady Padalka, NASA flight engineer Joseph Acaba and flight engineer Sergei Revin to the International Space Station. GETTY IMAGES



2 Galaxy of champions
President Obama poses Tuesday with members of the 2011 Major League Soccer champion Los Angeles Galaxy in the East Room at the White House. REUTERS



3 Prepping for the big time
Paralympic swimmer Xavi Torres, 37, of Spain, carries his orthopedic legs Tuesday after a training session. This summer, Torres, who has won 16 Paralympic medals, will participate in his sixth Paralympic Games. He owns four world swimming records. REUTERS

Report: TSA not fixing security breaches

4 The Transportation Security Administration isn't doing a good enough job of reporting, tracking or fixing airport security breaches, a report from the Department of Homeland Security said.

New Jersey Democratic Sen. Frank Lautenberg requested the report after a series of breaches at Newark Airport, including a knife getting through TSA screening, passengers walking around security checkpoints and a dead dog being transported without screening it for explosives.

TSA responded to those incidents with "corrective action," according to the Department of Homeland Security's inspector general, but not all the problems got the same treatment. The TSA took action to fix only 42 percent of the security breaches documented at Newark Airport, according to the report.

Most of the incidents looked at happened in 2010, and the report says since then, efforts to fix security breach vulnerabilities have gotten better. Inspectors visited five other large U.S. airport terminals for comparison, but the airports' names were kept out of the public report.

Of the six airports visited, records were found showing efforts to fix the causes of only 53 percent of the breaches. Newark was the lowest-scoring. The highest-rated airport reported corrective action in 88 percent of the breaches.

The inspector general also said that while the agency did have "many programs and initiatives that report and track identified security breaches," they were "not all inclusive or centrally managed."

TSA officials agreed with the report.

"TSA acknowledges that it can further develop and expand its oversight programs for gathering and tracking airport security breaches," administrator John Pistole wrote.

Congress will hold a hearing on the inspector general's report Wednesday.



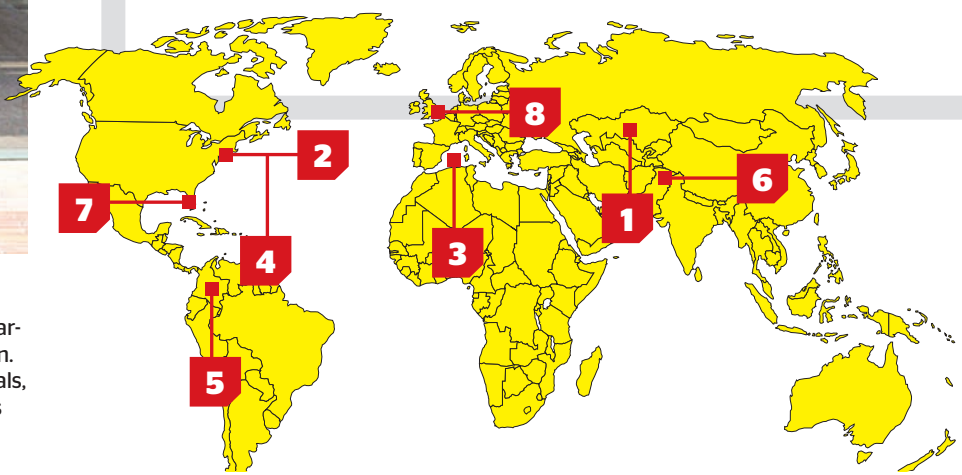
Parts of a pistol were found hidden inside a stuffed animal May 8 at Green Airport in Rhode Island. REUTERS

5 Assassination attempt fails
A bomb injured at least 25 people Tuesday in Bogota, Colombia, including Fernando Londono, a former interior and justice minister, who appeared to have been the attack's target. Londono's driver and head of security were killed but he survived and was hospitalized.

6 NATO invites Pakistan
NATO has invited Pakistani President Asif Zardari to join the Afghanistan summit in Chicago this week. Zardari said a decision about the invitation will be communicated to NATO later. The Obama administration said it's unclear if President Obama would meet with Zardari.

7 Mother, kids found dead
A Florida mother shot her four children Tuesday morning, then herself, police said. A neighbor in Port St. John heard shots and then responded to a knock at the door to find three of the children. The mother, Tanya Thomas, 33, called them back home, police said.

8 Hacking charges filed
Former News International chief Rebekah Brooks, her husband and four employees have been charged with obstructing the investigation into phone hacking at Rupert Murdoch's British newspapers. She called the case "an expensive sideshow." Murdoch's News Corp also owns Fox Broadcasting in the U.S.



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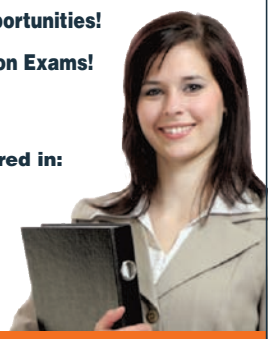
5-4 A Colorado state committee narrowly shot down an attempt to send a bill allowing same-sex civil unions to the House floor. The vote was 5-4, and both sides say the debate's not over. "We will keep fighting to equality and #civilunions," state Rep. Mark Ferrandino, the leader of the minority Democrats, tweeted.

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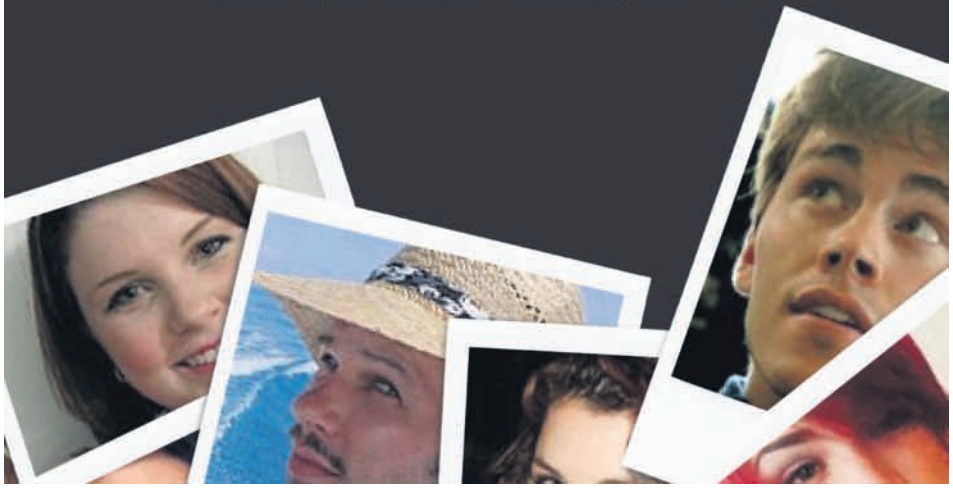
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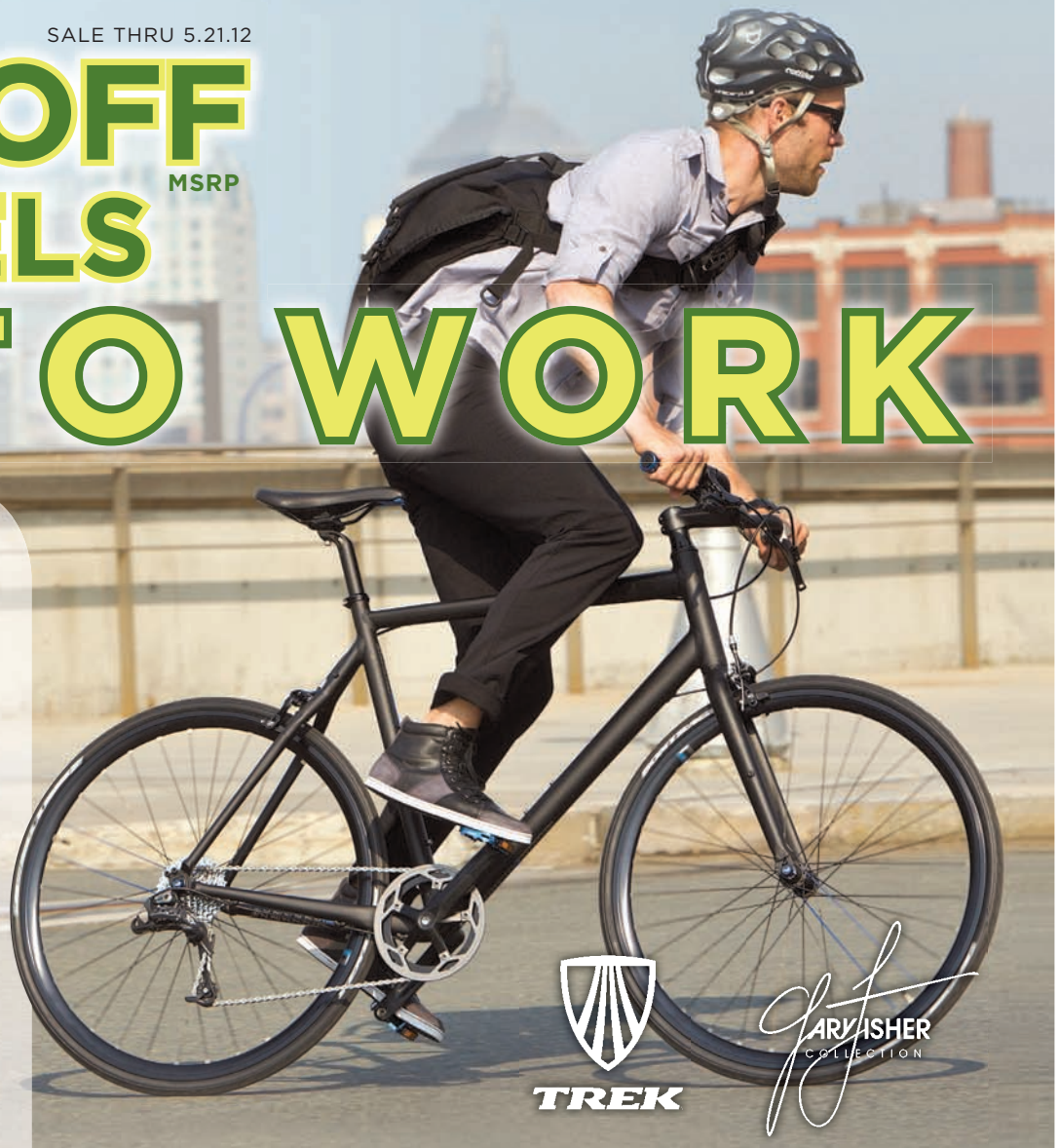
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Aaron (right) with Ximena (center) and friend Kyle

Love potion No. 9

Lincoln Park resident hopes to land Luol Deng date to honor fallen friend

By Matt Lindner
FOR REDEYE

Plenty of Chicagoans were seeing red when the Bulls bowed out in six games in the first round of the playoffs to the Philadelphia 76ers.

Lincoln Park's Ximena Beltran saw something different—an opening in Luol Deng's schedule that she's hoping to close to honor a fallen friend.

Beltran, a single 25-year-old who volunteers as a camp counselor at Children's Oncology Services Inc., has created a YouTube video in hopes of landing a date with Deng to COSI's annual Campfire Ball.

The summer camp-themed event, set for 7 p.m. Saturday at Venue One, 1044 W. Randolph St., raises nearly $100,000 annually to give cancer-stricken children a summer free of the worries that come with overnight hospital stays and chemotherapy treatments.

"Me doing this video and asking Luol, I feel kind of silly, but it's an adventure," she said. "I feel like every day I have to live my life for those who can't."

For those like her friend Aaron, a 17-year-old rabid Chicago sports fan and apparent cancer survivor. She befriended him by chance in 2010 during her internship with the White Sox when she hooked up his camp counselor with tickets for him and his best friend. The same 17-year-old whose cancer would return to his stomach just months after that day at the ballpark and snuff out the flame of his life before it had the chance to burn brightest.

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"It was such a devastating loss to see a kid who was healthy and so full of life, and then he was just gone," Beltran said, her voice halting. "Aaron can't have these adventures."

Not long after meeting Aaron, Beltran decided to volunteer for COSI. Doing so, she said, puts life into perspective.

"You think about the problems that you have in terms of paying your tuition or some guy didn't call you," she said. "With these kids it's like, 'Am I going to make it to tomorrow? Am I going to beat this disease to have these worries?' and that's what inspired me to ask him."

This isn't about making a love connection though.

If Deng agrees to be her date to the ball, Beltran said she'll volunteer 100 hours of her own time to his personal foundation.

"I want him to know about this cause, so in gratitude I'd love to pledge my support for his charity," she said.

Her social media campaign is showing signs of working.

"I've had friends who have said something to people who are close to him, and they're saying it's looking like a definite possibility," she said.

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Why I hate hardball politics



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Doesn't it seem like we were just going through this?

Other than a couple of surprises during these campaigns, it's been basically the same as always. The constant competition between two sides made to seem like it is life-or-death jammed down our throats.

The thing that really gets me is between the two sides, there is so much in common. I mean, in the end, we all come from the same place. We share so many values, opinions, even tastes in food. We share pride in where we come from and who we are. But this one small choice of whom we side with turns us into hate-filled, name-calling monsters. It works to just divide us further. We'll never see eye to eye with the other side, no matter what. Everyone has an opinion, whether you want to hear it or not, and believe me, you will hear it. They're stupid, we're smart, even if they're just people with different views.

Those views, though, almost always lead to unpleasantness. They even lead to violence. I think of how I wouldn't want my kids to see the way we act, fully knowing they'll be a part of it too. It's a part of our culture now, and it's only going to get worse with as the amount of media coverage escalates.

The past couple of years have proved, however, that the winner doesn't really win all that much and the losers are quickly forgotten. Nothing really changes. There will be debates, but in the end they won't make any difference. We all know that we'll all be stuck in the same boat together unless a whole lot of others cooperate.

Something needs to change.

Instead of highlighting the ways we relate to each other, the differences are front-and-center, further dividing us and turning neighbors into enemies over just a belief. It would be great if there was just one side for us to all get behind instead of splitting between the two.

I can't wait for fall, when we can finally forget about all of this.

That's why I hate the Cubs-White Sox series.

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1 Jay Cutler says the Bears offense is "going to be fun." What's he mean?	Hey man, maybe he likes getting tackled? Shoot, I like when girls tickle me. Vice is a vice.	All-you-can-roll Skee-ball at Chuck E. Cheese's after every win. #Cuttydoesit	As Cutler will Marshall the offense, fun could be his Forte this year.	"We finally have a receiver who can catch and two backs who can run. Plus, you know, Mike Martz is gone."	He's going to smile every other day now.
2 What kind of advice could Adam Dunn give the struggling Albert Pujols?	The fact that this sentence even exists is nothing short of hilarious.	"Chicks dig the swinging strikeout as much as they dig the long ball ... so long as you're making eight figures."	"You are not Dunn. Hitting is simple chemistry found in the power of the Adam."	"Just give it a year and maybe you'll be hitting .250 too."	I would say, how to survive the mechanical apocalypse that's coming, but no one can. HAHAHAHAHAHAHA!
3 What's the secret to Bryan LaHair's success this season?	Training a lot, to stay a La-hair ahead of the competition.	What spinach was to Popeye, Purplesaurus Rex Kool-Aid and Lunchables are to Bryan LaHair.	Read the biblical story of Samson. The French would say the secret is in "La Hair."	No one told him the Cubs aren't supposed to hit well or come through in the clutch.	He stayed at a Holiday Inn Express.
4 Paul Konerko said he might walk to Wrigley this weekend. Is that a good idea?	Yeah man, NATO protests ain't got nothin' on Big Fat Paulie.	As long as he makes sure to pop his collar to fit in with all the bros waiting in line outside of Barleycorn, sure.	Great idea! As Cubs players rarely ever walk, it could lead to a Sox winning run.	If he walks like he runs, it'll take him a few weeks so I hope he's already making his way.	If he's able to dodge the urine puddles, sure. You humans disgust me.
5 Miami's Chris Bosh is out with an abdominal strain. Cheap joke opportunity.	*says nothing, just smirks and cranks up Ludacris' "Ho"*	Poor guy got filled with more gas than even the vaunted Miami Hype Machine.	Side-splitting, gut-wrenching, belly-aching laughter is not good sportsmanship.	Are we sure he's actually injured and not just terribly over-committing to yet another flop?	My jokes aren't cheap. Bosh, on the other hand, is worthless.

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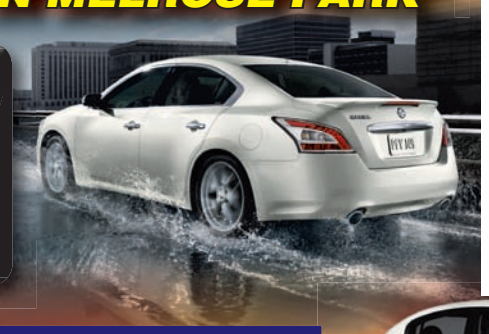
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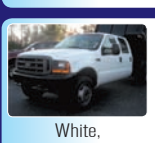

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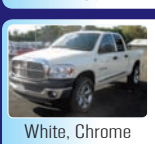

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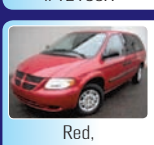

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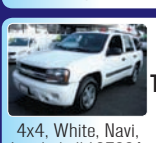

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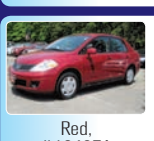

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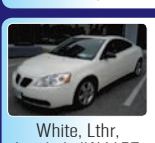

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‘Derrick is doing great’

Doctor who performed Rose’s surgery sees him back in 8 to 12 months

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The surgeon who performed Derrick Rose’s ACL reconstruction Saturday talked to the media Tuesday about the Bulls guard’s recovery and rehab.

Brian Cole, the Bulls team physician, was joined by general manager Gar Forman and head athletic trainer Fred Tedeschi at Rush University Medical Center.

Here’s a breakdown of the topics discussed. **TRIBUNE CONTRIBUTED**

on the surgery
COLE: “Derrick is doing great. The surgery went really well. No surprises.”

on Rose’s recovery
COLE: “It’s impossible to predict tomorrow. Statistically, he should be that player and then some. That doesn’t mean it’s guaranteed.” Cole estimated Rose would need eight to 12 months for a full recovery.

on the injury’s cause
COLE: “This could be anything from a completely random event to maybe conditioning. We’ll never know with certainty.”

on Rose’s attitude
TEDESCHI: “Those who know him know he’s terrific to deal with. He has done everything I’ve asked and more.”

on Rose’s rehab
FORMAN: “In his mind, he’s determined to attack this rehab and get his game back to where it was. There was a period there where he was down. But I think he’s doing better.”

WHAT HE’LL MISS
Here’s when Rose might return based on the eight-to-12-month recovery timetable.

8 MONTHS: Rose returns in mid-January, missing about three months of regular-season action.

9 MONTHS: Rose returns in mid-February, missing four months.

10 MONTHS: Rose returns in mid-March, missing five months.

11 MONTHS: Rose returns in mid-April, missing most—if not all—of the regular season.

12 MONTHS: Rose returns in mid-May, in time for the third round of the playoffs—or the end of the second round.


Derrick Rose
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Stoudemire rolling with The U
N.Y. Knicks forward Amar’e Stoudemire is going back to school. Stoudemire announced via his Twitter account Monday night that he was enrolling at Miami University, accompanied by a picture of him throwing the “U” sign. The 29-year-old, who was born in Lake Wales, Fla., jumped to the NBA straight out of Cypress Creek High School in Orlando in 2002.

ATH-TWEETS
“Ok everyone-This IS my real account. Working on verification.”

—Texas Rangers slugger **Josh Hamilton** (**@thejoshhamilton**), who joined Twitter late Monday night

Pacquiao KO’s Obama’s gay marriage stance
Boxer Manny Pacquiao doesn’t like gay marriage and President Obama’s stance on it. On Wednesday Pacquiao called it “an abomination,” according to the National Conservative Examiner. “It should not be of the same sex so as to adulterate the altar of matrimony, like in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah of old,” he said. All right then ...

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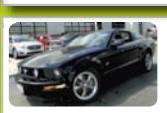
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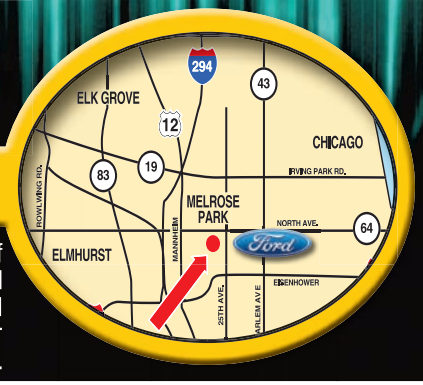
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GENERAL MADNESS

BARON COHEN'S LATEST MOVIE CHARACTER GIVES READERS INSIGHTS INTO HIS WORLDVIEW

Los Angeles Times

It's not often that an oppressive dictator sits down with the free Western press and openly answers probing questions about his rule, his crimes against humanity and his fashion choices—those last two often being one and the same. While Adm. Gen. Shabazz Aladeen of the small North African nation of Wadiya didn't physically sit across from us (in fact, for all we know, this email interview could have been answered by some wiseguy comedian—say, Sacha Baron Cohen, whose movie "The Dictator" opens Wednesday), the supreme ruler was as open and forthright as any political leader these days.

How does one become a dictator in this day and age?

It is sadly becoming more difficult and slightly unethical—in the good old days of "Gentleman Dictatorships," you simply had to murder your father. Now, you have to do sneaky little things like rigging elections, ignoring U.N. resolutions and imprisoning most of your citizens.

Is there a dictators club? Do you pay dues and have regular meetings?

There is not officially a club but there are several places where my friends and I regularly meet: EuroDisney, Sandals Antigua, Berlosconi's Bunga-Bunga parties—and in a bad year, the Hague.

What fashion guidelines must a dictator observe?

The main thing is dress down—be careful not to wear things that can be ridiculed by the West—Moammar Kadafi taught me that. Also, don't dress like your subjects, which is why you'll never see me in leg irons or with a black hood over my head. And once you find a look, stick to it: Iran's Ahmadinejad has perfected the "chatroom predator," Fidel Castro's nailed the "truck stop restroom predator" and Kim Jong Un has made the "Fat Elvis in Army Elvis' Clothes" look his own.

How do you keep your beard groomed?

Various products—the supreme beard regularly comes into contact with Frederic Fekkai


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ALADEEN SAYS ...

Ever since he dumped ashes on Ryan Seacrest at the Oscars in February, Sacha Baron Cohen has been appearing at public events as Republic of Wadiya Adm. Gen. Shabazz Aladeen, his character from "The Dictator." At the film's May 10 world premiere in London (as seen above) he was at it again, dressed in full military regalia and a false beard, brandishing a replica golden pistol and surrounded by uniformed female "body guards" in short skirts. Seacrest was nowhere in sight, but Cohen found other targets. REDEYE, REUTERS

NEWS CORP HEAD RUPERT MURDOCH
"Now while I am here, I would like to grant political asylum to [Rupert] Murdoch. We also have mobile phone hacking in Wadiya. Everyone who has a phone, we hack off their hands."

BRITISH POLITICIANS
"I am very happy because yesterday [British Deputy Prime Minister] Nicholas Clegg and [Prime Minister] David Cameron renewed their vows and now they are the world's most famous gay couple."

GERMAN CHANCELLOR ANGELA MERKEL
"By the way Angela Merkel, you need to look after your appearance. I think Merkel would be more successful if Merkel has a sex change and becomes a woman."

Luscious Curls shampoo, Garnier Fructis conditioner and the sweaty chests of Hollywood starlets and kidnapped Indonesian weather girls.

You wear a lot of medals; do they actually signify service to your country?
Of course they do. It would be corrupt for me to receive a medal I hadn't earned, so I always make sure that I deserve them before awarding them to myself.

What is your favorite punishment for those opposed to your rule?
There has never been anybody actually opposed to my rule—although I have on occasion been required to take action against those least in favor of it. Have you heard of the Muqtani tribes in the north of Wadiya, the Burgah people in the south or the country's nomadic Qulanas? No. That's because they never existed.

How ticked off was Ryan Seacrest when you quite clearly accidentally spilled Kim Jong Il's ashes on him at the Oscars?
Ryan was, in fact, honored and wrote to me thanking me for what happened. I actually got a lot more grief when I attended my next Axis of Evil luncheon—those guys really busted my bilbul; Hugo Chavez was like, "Hey, Aladeen, pass the salt. ... Hey, Aladeen, how much did you 'urn' last year?" ... And Ahmadinejad turned up wearing his protective white coat and hairnet—you know that guy's not just a Holocaust denier, he's also got a nasty side. The mishap on the red carpet actually occurred because I was trying to let Ryan in to a little secret; Kim Jong's urn was actually made in South Korea—I wanted to show him the sticker on the bottom that says so.

What bugs you the most about democracy?
It just seems to be a lot of work and hassle. First you have to campaign, then debate your opponents, then the people have to vote, then the votes have to be counted until at last, the winner can be announced. This is why in Wadiya, I have introduced a streamlined form of democracy that just has the last stage.

If you had to participate in the American political system, what party would you belong to and why?
In terms of policies, I would have to say the Republicans—if they could only become a bit less extreme. There are some real double standards, you know—what people call genocide in my country is called the judicial system in Texas! In terms of my actually getting into power in America, I would have to support the Democrats—if they can enable a Kenyan to become president, why not a Wadiyan?

Satirical misfire



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The Dictator
R

After revealing multiple forms of intolerance and the vast majority of his body in the hilarious "Borat" and fearlessly uneven "Bruno," Sacha Baron Cohen apparently has nothing left to expose.

That could be why the comedian's latest film seemingly exists to build up to one big joke, which should be news to nobody: That dictatorships—where a small group of people possess all the wealth, certain races disproportionately occupy prison space and women must constantly defend their rights—could see familiar territory in the U.S.

Adm. Gen. Aladeen (Baron Cohen) doesn't feel comfortable in New York, however, after his right-hand man (Ben Kingsley) betrays him. To reclaim power before rebels from his (fictional) North African country of Wadiya manipulate a look-alike into signing a democratic constitution, Aladeen must align with a vegan (Anna Faris) catering the UN summit with her feminist Free Earth Collective.

"The Dictator" suggests that inside this sheltered man who orders executions like they're free refills lies an emotionally stunted, lonely soul—who laments Megan Fox's unwillingness to cuddle after he pays her for sex. That's not a terrible comic angle, but "The Dictator" embodies a vapidly childish attitude toward oppression without any actual satire.

Instead of exposing the bigoted idiocy onscreen, Baron Cohen exploits his audience's taste for the stupidly juvenile. That makes "The Dictator" less "Borat" and more "You Don't Mess with the Zohan," unless I missed the insightful genius behind Aladeen pooping on a woman's head.

In 2010, the brilliant British comedy "Four Lions" confronted foolish extremism through hapless suicide bombers. Aside from pointed but routine nods to American racial profiling of people from the Middle East, "The Dictator" dares only to giggle at cruelty while, say, Aladeen learns how to masturbate.

Comedy such as this usually comes from someone far less talented than Baron Cohen, who needs a reminder about the difference between stupidity and an indictment of it. After being on the covered-in-ashes end of an Oscar prank, Ryan Seacrest surely would be happy to offer some thoughts.

Hollywood's box-office $superheroes

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In the lunchrooms of elementary schools and office parks alike, Marvel's "The Avengers" is prompting a classic argument: Who's your favorite superhero? In the lunchrooms of Hollywood, however, that discussion goes a little differently. It's not about who's the strongest, fastest or coolest, it's about who brings in the most money. "The Avengers" rocketed past the $1 billion mark worldwide and is at $373 million domestically, according to **boxofficemojo.com**. How does that compare to other superpowered super-grossers?

Green Lantern

Ryan Reynolds, the sexiest man alive, made his debut as this ring-bearing space crusader last year, but "Green Lantern" became perhaps the worst-reviewed superhero film of the past 10 years. Total North American gross: $116 million.

Captain America

"The First Avenger," as he was called last year, earned $176 million, a good showing for a long-shelved hero from World War II.

Thor

Critics hammered the Norse god, but fans backed him up by shelling out $181 million for his debut last summer.

Hulk

Strange that this super-strong behemoth is such a weak performer. Eric Bana's 2003 film and Edward Norton's 2008 reboot pulled in less than $267 million combined.

Iron Man

Powered by pure snark, Robert Downey Jr.'s metal-clad hero has become a top earner with $630 million after only two films.

Batman

Christopher Nolan's "Batman Begins" earned $205 million in 2005, but it was "The Dark Knight" that became the top-grossing superhero film of all time with $533 million. Grand total: $738 million.

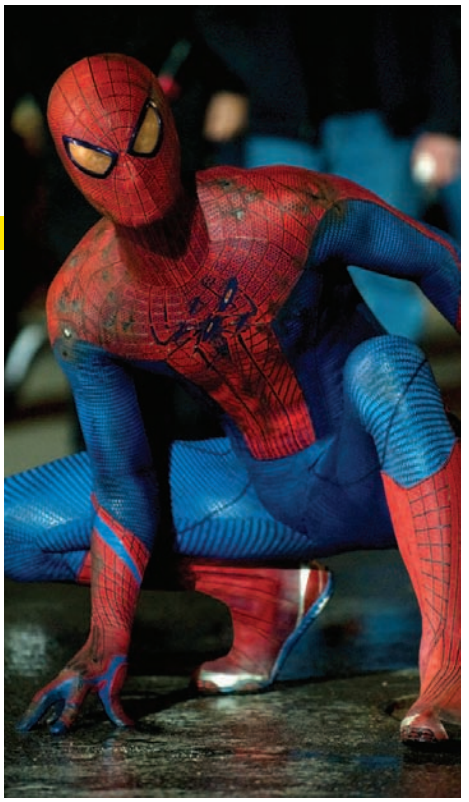


X-Men

The mutant team has made twice as many movies as the recent Batman series, thus earning nearly $753 million with four films since 2000. (That's not counting Hugh Jackman's 2009 solo flight, "Wolverine," which pulled in $179 million.)

Spider-Man

With great power comes great responsibility: When Andrew Garfield inherits Tobey Maguire's role in the upcoming reboot, he'll be taking on the most successful superhero franchise in history. The three movies, all directed by Sam Raimi, have earned more than $1.1 billion.



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PIZZA REVIEW

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By Kate Bernot | FOR REDEYE

Deep-dish is as authentically Chicago as Lake Shore Drive traffic, but recently Neapolitan-style pizza has given it a run for its money. A big reason for its popularity are the pies at Spacca Napoli, a Ravenswood restaurant that opened in 2006 with pies by Nella Grassano, a Naples native who started baking in her family's pizzeria when she was 12 years old. After leaving Spacca Napoli in 2007, Grassano reappeared briefly at Nella Pizzeria Napoletana before that restaurant closed. Now Grassano is back at her own Lincoln Park restaurant, Pizzeria da Nella Cucina Napoletana. I stopped in to find out whether the pies are as big a mouthful as the name.


The Alessia pizza

The crust: Thanks to the wood-burning oven at the center of the open kitchen, the crust is baked to a uniform golden brown, adding a crunch without drying out the dough. Each slice has a firm base and a pleasant chew, without the wet center common in Neapolitan pies. The dough is rustic and flavorful without distracting from the high-quality toppings.

The sauce: A tangy, slightly sweet tomato sauce forms the base of half the menu's pizzas, and though it looks like it's spread on the thin side, it packs just the right amount of bright, ripe tomato flavor. White pizzas all begin with an olive oil and mozzarella base, then switch it up with other cheeses such as parmesan, emmental or a soft, mild cacciota.

The toppings: Combinations are mostly classic, but that doesn't make them boring. Grassano's margherita ($11.99) could serve as the textbook example of this ubiquitous pie; it's even more flavorful when topped with imported buffalo's milk mozzarella ($13.99).

Both meat and veggie lovers can compromise with the prosciutto e rucola ($13.99), a white pie topped with heaps of wilted arugula and ribbons of sliced prosciutto, finished with a surprisingly smoky mozzarella cheese. Vegetarians have plenty of cheese- and spinach-topped options.

Other stuff: While a whole pie certainly would satisfy even a seriously big appetite, the menu offers a dozen antipasti and salad options ($6.99-$14.99). If you're way past hungry, look to stuffed pizzas such as the Lavezzi ($17.99), which rolls grilled eggplant and smoked mozzarella inside crust topped with prosciutto, arugula, cherry tomatoes and shaved parmesan. To drink, the wine list has a number of bottles in the $25-$35 range, or you can order one of the premium bottled Italian beers for $8-$14.

Bottom line: Grassano proves she's still got the pizza mojo that put Spacca Napoli on the map. Neapolitan pies probably won't completely replace deep dish as Chicago's signature pie anytime soon, but this new gem makes a strong case for it.

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Graphic novelist talks comics, Jane Austen and concocting her own movie test

By Julia Borcherts | FOR REDEYE

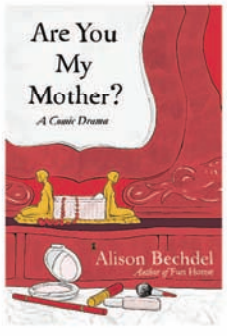
If you picked up an LGBT paper anytime between 1983 and 2008, chances are you've seen Alison Bechdel's "Dykes to Watch Out For" comic strip. The influential serial about queer life was syndicated in 50 papers across the country for 25 years and introduced pop culture to the "Bechdel Test," designed to determine gender bias in films. In order for the movie to pass, it must feature at least two female characters who talk to each other about something other than a man.

ALISON BECHDEL
Go: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Swedish American Museum, 5211 N. Clark St.
Tickets: Book purchase required ($22); companion ticket $7; 773-769-9299; **womenandchildrenfirst.com**

In 2006, Bechdel published her first graphic novel, "Fun Home," about the life and death of her father, a closeted gay man who operated a family-owned funeral home, and it became a finalist for the National Book Critics Circle Award. Her new graphic novel, "Are You My Mother?"—which chronicles the close-yet-distant relationship between Bechdel and her mom—was released May 1.

And what does her mother think of the book? You can ask Bechdel on Wednesday night, when Women & Children First Bookstore hosts her at the Swedish American Museum for a multimedia reading and interactive discussion. We called Bechdel—who's in Chicago through early June co-teaching a class at the University of Chicago—to catch up.


Alison Bechdel





In the early '80s, cartoons and comic strips weren't the widely respected art form that they are today. So what made you decide to use them to tell your stories?

The fact that cartoons were not a high art form was why I chose cartoons in my youth. I felt really inhibited as an artist. I didn't feel like I could be a literary writer or a fine artist and comics for me was a way to express myself creatively without being judged. [Laughs.] It's kind of ironic to me that over the course of my career, comics have been let in to the respectable literary world—and now comics are judged. I wouldn't have the nerve to become a cartoonist now if I weren't already.

Your stories contain a lot of literary references. Which writers do you feel influence your storytelling style?

Jane Austen, off the top of my head. I have always been a big Jane Austen freak, but in my early 20s I was just constantly reading one of those books or another. I haven't really styled myself after any writer; I've never thought of myself as a writer. I just thought she was very funny in that dry way. And very socially perceptive—I guess that's interesting, too.

Which artists influenced your visual storytelling style?

There are a lot of different things that went into the hopper—Mad Magazine, Edward Gorey, Herge's Tintin series, R. Crumb. Those are probably my big comics-drawing influences.

What are some of the movies you like that pass the Bechdel test?

The truth is, I don't really apply that test. [Laughs.] If I did, I would see very, very few movies. And probably a lot of my favorite movies actually wouldn't pass it.

Such as?

I don't know, like "Groundhog Day." [Laughs.] But there's that HBO series, "Girls," which I really, really love and that certainly passes with flying colors.

Which historical figure would you like to see on a reality show?

[Poet] May Sarton [laughs]. I think she had a pretty wild love life, especially in her youth. I'd love to hear more about it.

And your next book?

I wouldn't say I'm actively working on it. I have an idea for what I would like to do but I'm not really started on it yet. I just want to keep writing about my family, basically.

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Rock time

Learn more about the 4 bands you picked to rock tonight's free RedEye Rock 'n' Vote show

By Matt Pais | REDEYE SOUND BOARD

First: Get excited! The four Chicago bands you chose from our RedEye Rock 'n' Vote Top 10 take the stage Wednesday night, competing for your votes to win a performance slot at Taste of Chicago. Former Rock 'n' Vote finalist and current buzztastic rapper Rockie Fresh headlines the free show at Hard Rock Cafe.

OK, now: You may want to get to know the personalities behind Hospital Garden, The Retar Crew, The 92s and Santiago x The Natural a little better before seeing the rock and hip-hop acts show their stuff Wednesday. We've got you covered, and we'll see you there!

What's the most memorable/unique aspect of your performances? What's been your wildest experience onstage?

1 THE RETAR CREW: We are a bunch of dudes in our 30s dancing around like idiots and rapping about how big of [bleep]-ups we are. Most of our fans drink whiskey. Our last show [at] the Double Door ran out of whiskey. I think this means people don't remember a lot about our shows unfortunately.

2 HOSPITAL GARDEN: We're loud. One time we played on a boat for rich people and someone spilled red wine on our white dresses.

3 THE 92s: Playing in a swarm of horny bumblebees. Seriously. That is both our wildest experience and the most memorable aspect of our performance. We bring the bees with us.

4 SANTIAGO X THE NATURAL: We take a rockers' approach to hip-hop and are not afraid to show it during our live sets. Most recently, our wildest experience was performing at the Xcel Energy Center before a crowd of 11,000+ flanked by hot girls in spandex and dudes in random mascot costumes.

What's the worst thing someone could do at your concert?

TRC: Not have a good time.
HG: [Bleep] up our pyrotechnics.
92s: Come looking like Zooey Deschanel. Dan would surely forget all the lyrics.
SXTN: Not dance. Tied with clapping off-rhythm, but if you are going to clap off-rhythm, not dancing would be the best thing you could do at our concert. Haha.

REDEYE ROCK 'N' VOTE 2012
When: 8 p.m. Wednesday
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With harp and glock/ It's one plus one plus ninety.
SXTN: Hip hop with a heart made of gold/ Infusion of rock with a soul/ We fill up the room/ With sounds that go BOOM/ We'll keep making sounds till we're old.

In what way do you represent Chicago music?
TRC: Irresponsibly.
HG: We have wind machines.
92s: The variety in our sound reflects upon the diversity of the Chicago music scene. Each member brings unique influences to the table from Andrew Bird to Wilco to even punkier stuff like Alkaline Trio.
SXTN: Santiago's soulful voice and unapologetic song-crafting paired with The Natural's South Side twang-infused grit, are a living homage to Chicago's rich x eclectic music history.

What is your most important band tradition?
TRC: Bourbon and Guinness.
HG: Make a mistake onstage and you don't get paid. No excuses.
92s: No set list. Make it up on the fly.
SXTN: It used to be a bottle of Andre in the dorm room before a studio session; now it's a pre/post-show shot of Jameson.

"The Dictator" opens Wednesday. If you ruled a country, what would be your first order of business?
TRC: We [would] have to analyze the socio-economic structure of the country and get a feel for the life of the people on the street before hastily attempting any abrupt policy decisions.
HG: Abolish Cars: Enforce Boats (and build canals).
92s: Take 80 percent of all professional athletes' exorbitant salaries and redistribute the money to pay teachers what they deserve.
SXTN: Eliminate homelessness paired with a dedicated 24/7 channel to "Between Two Ferns."

How will you celebrate if you win Rock 'n' Vote?
TRC: Drinking.
HG: We will buy a boat.
92s: Fireworks, cigars and forties.
SXTN: We will go to Studio Paris, double-fist Jameson x Sugar-Free Red Bull and stupid dance until our socks fall off inside our shoes.

Describe your sound in the form of a limerick.
TRC: There once was a group of retars/ resigned to fact they'd never be stars/ When I asked why they did it/ they simply admitted/ we like giving our music for free charge.
HG: There once was a thief by a moat/ Who desperately needed to float/ and get to the king/ his throat he would wring/ and all that he needs is a boat.
92s: Through tones so thick and dirty/ Dan's words are rather flirty/ Straight indie rock/

What superhero do you have the most in common with and why?
TRC: Jax is like the Hulk 'cause he keeps it independent like Mark Ruffalo. Pos is [Hawkeye] 'cause he's really good at archery. G is Spider-Man 'cause his hands are always sticky. J is Superman 'cause he travels quite a bit.
HG: Magnum P.I. We both look awesome, have boats and love the Detroit Tigers.
92s: Iron Man. The four of us are just a bunch of billionaire-genius-playboy-philanthropists trying to make it in this cold, cruel world.
SXTN: Santiago would be Silver Surfer because of his Renaissance man powers cosmic; The Natural would be Batman (regular businessman by day ... hip-hop crusader by night).

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Chicago, The Doobie Brothers, Saturday, July 28 ($39.50-$125, all ages) at Charter One Pavilion.

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Bunny Gang, Wednesday, Aug. 8 ($12, 21+) at Schubas.

Spoek Mathambo, Wednesday, July 18 ($15, 21+) at Lincoln Hall.

10 A.M. SATURDAY

Joe Jackson and the Bigger Band, Friday, Sept. 28 ($60, 18+) at Vic Theatre.

Toby Keith, Brantley Gilbert, Thomas Rhett, Sunday, Sept. 2 ($24.25-$89, all ages) at First Midwest Bank Amphitheatre.

NOON SATURDAY

Garbage, Tuesday, Aug. 7 ($38, 18+) at Metro.


Aaron Lee Tasjan
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CD REVIEW


Victoria Legrand of Beach House
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By Sara Stewart
REDEYE SOUND BOARD

Bloom
Beach House

Dream-pop duo Beach House have mastered the recipe for a Beach House song: start quiet, add keyboard, add reverb-drenched guitar, throw in some sorrowful lyrics that sound cheery at the same time, find just the right moment to explode with energy. Mix. Repeat.

The group's fourth album, "Bloom," feels like an extension of breakout success "Teen Dream," delivering more of the same in ways that suit an excellent predecessor rather than feebly mimic. Victoria Legrand's voice constantly enthralls; not until she chants "Help me to make it" in "Myth" do you really remember that it's a song about a breakup—and not just beautiful background noise for a sunny afternoon.

Surprisingly playful in spite of its sadness, this summer-drenched pop album still can be my soundtrack for a sunny day. Perhaps that's why they named it "Bloom."

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ALBUM REVIEW

Lambert's album for himself

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Trespassing
Adam Lambert

Adam Lambert has learned an important lesson—you can't please all the people all the time.

Unlike his debut, tellingly titled "For Your Entertainment," Lambert's new album "Trespassing" sounds strictly for himself—a well-crafted collision of electronic dance pop and upper register, booming vocals mostly about pushing the envelope and enjoying life.

For much of "Trespassing," Lambert draws inspiration from Michael Jackson and Queen's Freddie Mercury that encourages him to sound bigger and bolder than ever. Subtlety be damned.

The title track, written by Lambert and Pharrell Williams, is a bit "Another One Bites the Dust" on the verses and sorta "Hollaback Girl" on the chorus, but the way Lambert whirls it all together, it sounds completely his. The same goes for "Shady," which has elements of Jackson and Christina Aguilera in both delivery and the musical arrangement, but is undeniably Lambert.

"Trespassing" does have its serious moments, including the touching ballad "Outlaws of Love," which seems to defend same-sex marriage, as Lambert wraps his voice around the lines "They say we'll rot in hell,



Adam Lambert
AP FILE

but I don't think we will. They've branded us enough—outlaws of love." The way Lambert twists it into Radiohead-styled prog-rock—and back again through his phrasing—is a great trick. However, "Runnin' " trumps it, taking a standard pop song and arranging it into a thrilling, dramatic dance anthem.

"Trespassing" shows Lambert is too good to waste time trying to please the pop masses. They'll catch up eventually.

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By Piet Levy
FOR REDEYE

Thrill seekers looking for a new kind of rush can head to Six Flags Great America, where "X"—as in the new X-Flight roller coaster—marks the spot.

The first batch of riders boarded the Gurnee theme park's wing coaster at a preview event Thursday getting their morning pick-me-ups via 55 mph speeds, a 120-foot drop—that flips upside down—and five freaky inversions. But what makes X-Flight so extreme, and gives the ride its distinctive wing coaster classification, is the inventive train design, park officials and coaster aficionados said.

As on Great America's "Batman: The Ride," X-Flight passengers are secured in floorless seats. But on X-Flight, "as opposed to sitting on top of or underneath the coaster track, you're sitting outside of it," explained Dameon Nelson, the park's director of operations.

With two seats suspended on either side of the track in each row, passengers can't see the track and "don't know when the next turn is going to come," Nelson said.

For RedEye, the most terrifying turn came near the end, when passengers race toward a tower, flip vertically at the last second to squeeze through a narrow opening, then spin into a seemingly out-of-control barrel roll directly underneath an A-frame structure.

Timothy Tallar, a 37-year-old assembler in Bedford Park, and his 25-year-old brother, Glenn, a pipe organ specialist in Chicago, added X-Flight to their lists of more than 500 roller coasters they've ridden across North America.

The members of the thrill ride-worshipping organization American Coaster Enthusiasts both say it soars to the top of their favorites.

"It's in its own class," said Glenn Tallar, a Homer Glen resident, citing the "insane" barrel roll as one of the best features. "You feel like you're floating in air."

X-Flight is the fourth wing coaster in the world, following the concept's introduction in Italy last spring. Others opened in March in England and at Dolly Parton's theme park Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

Like the others, X-Flight was designed by Bolliger & Mabillard, the Swiss manufacturer that created the park's "Batman" and "Raging Bull" coasters. X-Flight is Great America's first new significant thrill ride since 2003, when it opened another Bolliger & Mabillard creation, "Superman: Ultimate Flight."

In recent years additions at Great America largely followed a company strategy to attract more families, park president Hank Salemi said. New areas for children and the resurrection of the Little Dipper roller coaster in 2010 from the defunct Kiddieland in Melrose Park are both part of the strategy. After filing for bankruptcy in 2009 following years of declining attendance, the company emerged from bankruptcy in 2010 under new management, and revenue increased by 4 percent to $1 billion last year.

X-Flight is the park's largest investment in several years, Salemi said, in the hopes that Great America can bring more teenagers and adults through the gates.

"It was time for a state-of-the-art coaster," he said.

The ride opens to the public Wednesday, Great America's first day of daily operation for the season.

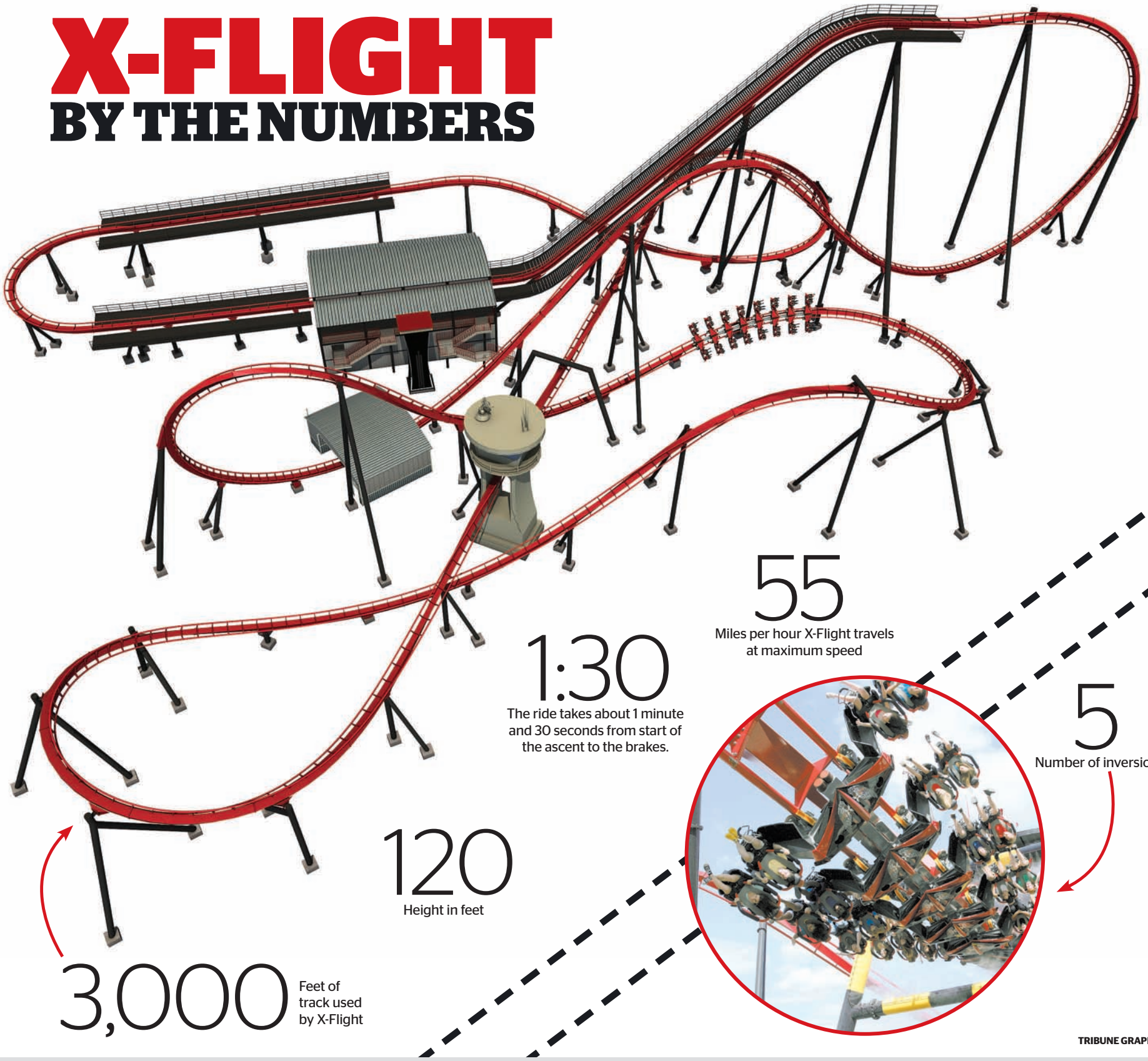
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Starhawk *PS3*

Stuffing third-person shooting, real-time strategy and spaceship dogfighting into the same game and thrusting it into a sci-fi Western universe sounds like a mashup from hell. But "Starhawk" somehow manages to pull off the mix of on-foot gunning, vehicular combat and strategic base building nearly seamlessly—at least in the competitive multiplayer mode. The campaign feels like Joss Whedon's "Firefly" minus the wit and memorable characters, while the co-op mode comes off as an afterthought. If online death matches are your game, "Starhawk" stands out as one of the best alternatives to all the modern military shooters.



Minecraft *Xbox 360*

While most modern video games ape the narrative conventions of TV and movies, the cult PC-hit-turned-downloadable-Xbox game "Minecraft" does quite the opposite. It has no story, no dialogue and no real characters. Instead, "Minecraft" plays like an elaborate virtual set of Legos where you use a variety of tools to harvest materials such as wood, sand and rock to "craft" just about any kind of structure or object you want—windows, torches, swords and more. World building happens mostly during the day, because when the sun sets, you'll be busy fending off nocturnal zombies, skeletons and other creatures. The lack of singular purpose or story may confound a lot of gamers, but if you're looking for a game that rewards creativity, exploration and patience, "Minecraft" is well worth a look.



Fable Heroes *Xbox 360*

It takes a special feat of incompetence to mess up a four-player beat-'em-up that features a level in which players kick exploding chickens at one another. "Fable Heroes" has accomplished just that. Not to be confused with the upcoming "Fable: The Journey" for Kinect, this downloadable title on-the-cheap asks you to guide tiny puppet heroes into battle against familiar "Fable" foes with your friends for the sake of gold coins that can be transferred into the "The Journey." But collecting said gold means slogging through the boring and very repetitive game play of "Heroes." You'd probably have more fun making your own puppets or pretending to kick phantom chickens by yourself instead.

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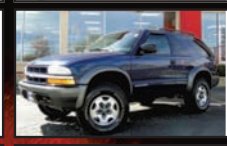
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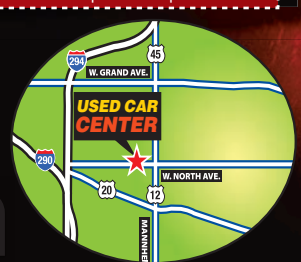
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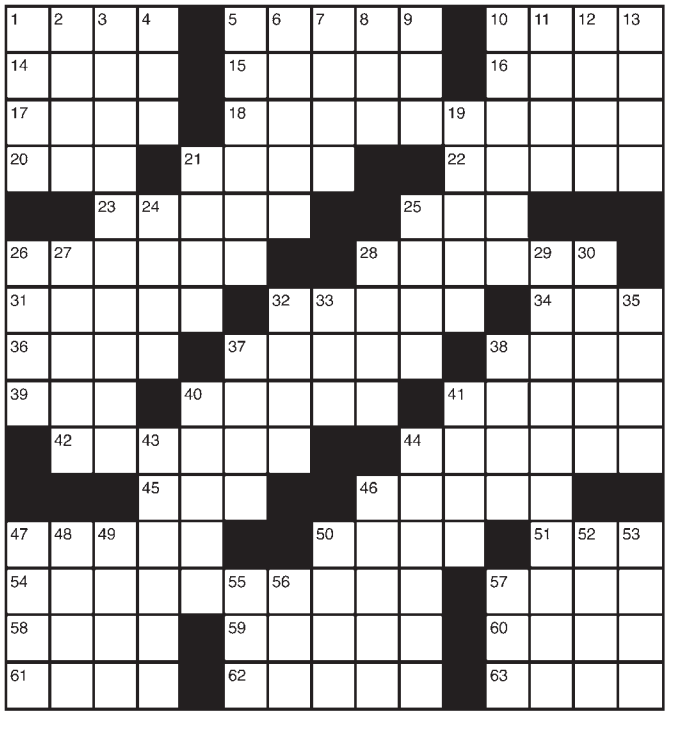
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1 Over and done
5 Deer's color
10 Clippety-_
14 5 _ 10 is 2
15 "_ and Juliet"
16 Sioux City, _
17 Semester or quarter
18 Making hostile
20 Defunct airline
21 Sharpen; hone
22 Hose down
23 Knickknacks
25 Mr. DiMaggio
26 River that joins the Euphrates
28 Baking potato
31 Yellow shade
32 Push _; shove out of the way
34 Atmosphere
36 Ceremony
37 Once & again
38 Meanie
39 1/4 and 3/4
40 Taunt playfully
41 Writer _ Verne
42 Like a twisted old log
44 Woods
45 Four qts.
46 Lock of hair
47 Cold rice with raw seafood
50 Radio knob
51 Taxi
54 Imagination; originality
57 Finished
58 Grows old
59 Bridal walkway
60 Smallest of the litter
61 Pay a landlord
62 In the buff
63 Provo's state

DOWN
1 Actor Brad _
2 Once more
3 Align
4 Actor Selleck
5 Lullaby composer
6 Acting parts
7 Fail to include
8 Tiny
9 Prefix for profit or fiction
10 Detroit, Seattle, El Paso, etc.
11 Cut of pork
12 Possesses
13 Leaf of a book
19 Came up
21 River dam
24 Aspen or birch
25 "Hey _"; hit for the Beatles
26 Lawn mower brand
27 Cake frosting
28 _ Chex; cold cereal
29 Highest rank in an organization for boys
30 Grows fatigued
32 Out of town
33 Lisa, to Bart
35 Take a catnap
37 _ off; berate
38 "_ is not to reason why..."
40 Characteristic
41 Singer Billy _
43 Horrified
44 Worn at the edges
46 Book spine info
47 Wound memento
48 Coax
49 "That remains to be _"
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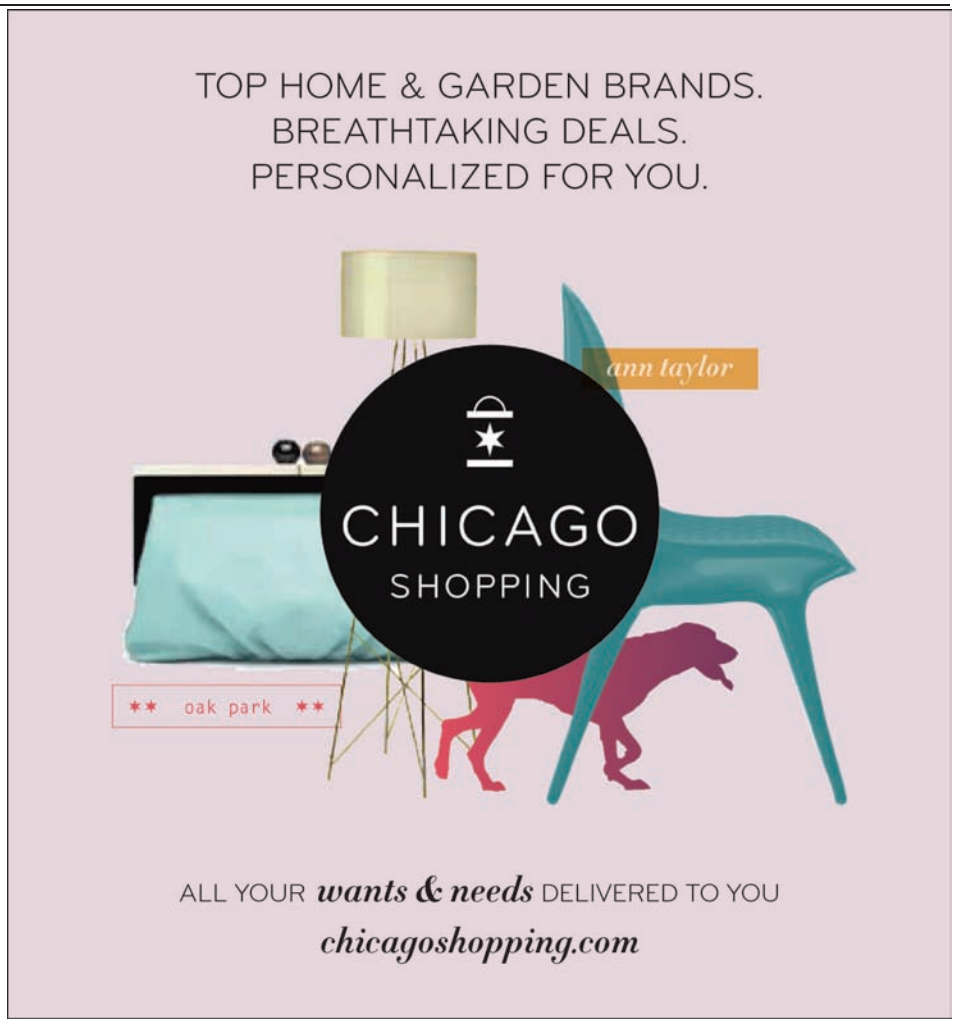
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5 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT RYE RYE

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

You've probably heard Ryeisha Berrain's voice on tracks before—she dropped her verses on DJ Blaqstarr's "Shake It To The Ground" when she was just 15—but with the Tuesday release of her first album, "Go! Pop! Bang!" the Baltimore-based rapper is about to make it huge. Here are five things to know about Rye Rye before she's the name on everyone's tongue. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | @REDEYEDANA



1 She's got a pretty cool mentor

Rye Rye was discovered about five years ago by **M.I.A.**, who signed the Baltimore rapper as the first artist on her N.E.E.T. label. This comes with some pretty big perks—Rye Rye appeared on M.I.A.'s Kala tour and in the video for "Paper Planes."

2 She's already had some bumps in the road

Rye Rye was all set to tour with DJ A-Trak in 2009 when she discovered she was pregnant with her daughter, Kennidi, who was born that September. Her boyfriend also was paralyzed in a shooting earlier that summer, contributing to the delay of her debut album.



3 She's making major chart waves

The former club kid met a kindred spirit in **Robyn** last year. Their duet, "Never Will Be Mine," jumped its way to No. 11 on Billboard's dance chart. We're betting it's not her last time on that chart.

4 She's dropping movies, too

Rye Rye made her big-screen debut earlier this year alongside Jonah Hill and Channing Tatum in "21 Jump Street." She told Vulture that she and fellow dancer Tatum had a good time talking about his dance flick, "Step Up," but he can't bust a move like she can.

5 Her dream collaborator is awesome

When you've worked with artists as awesome as M.I.A., Robyn, Blaqstarr and Akon, who's next? A little **Miss E**, perhaps? "Missy [Elliott] is one of my biggest inspirations," she told Vulture. "I was imitating videos all the time and just wanting to be there. I learned everything from Missy Elliott's videos."



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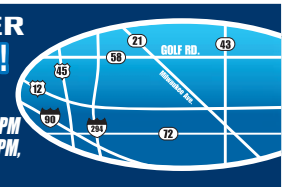
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That's how many seasons "Dancing With The Stars" has waltzed its way through. ABC announced at its Upfront presentations this week that the upcoming 15th season will feature a showdown of past "all-star" contestants. Though the dancers have yet to be announced, this might be The Situation's only shot at being an all-star at anything, ever, in his entire life.



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STAR POWER

When you're casting a guest star for "Chicago Fire," pretty much the best-case scenario is having the actual mayor play the mayor, right? In a new trailer for the show, **Mayor Emanuel** makes an appearance, shaking hands with one of the firefighters. "I told them I'd do it under one condition," Emanuel told NBC 5 Chicago. "The TV show is making an investment to the firefighters' widow and orphans fund." Score.

Funny lady

Ellen DeGeneres will get the annual Mark Twain Prize for American Humor on Oct. 22, following in the footsteps of female winners Whoopi Goldberg and Tina Fey. "To get the same award that has been given to people like Bill Cosby, Tina Fey and Will Ferrell, it really makes me wonder ... why didn't I get this sooner?" DeGeneres said in a statement. Good point!



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Idol chatter

JLo loves being a judge on "American Idol," which airs its season finale May 23, but she's not sure she wants to do it again, according to People. "I enjoy it. I really do enjoy it," Lopez said on Ellen DeGeneres' show, but, "I miss doing other things. It really does lock you down." But when it locks you down, it also throws a few million bucks into the cell with you, right?

Mulligan!

One of the masseurs who accused John Travolta last week of sexual assault has dropped his $2 million lawsuit, court papers showed Tuesday. The man, referred to as John Doe No. 1, claimed that the "Pulp Fiction" star groped him during a massage session in Beverly Hills in January. The masseur filed a notice of dismissal with federal court in L.A., Reuters reports.

Nice excuse, though

"The Hunger Games" star Josh Hutcherson was photographed in public for the first time since undergoing what he tweeted was "surgery to fix my broken nose"—sporting a bandage Monday in Beverly Hills, **tmz.com** reports. Broken nose. Sure.



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